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## **Inclusive Smart Solutions**

Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03a626

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy

London

SW1H 0ET

#### **Email**

[FlexibilityInnovation-InclusiveSmartSolutions@BEIS.gov.uk](mailto:FlexibilityInnovation-InclusiveSmartSolutions@BEIS.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-business-energy-and->

[industrial-strategy](#)

### **I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

### **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Inclusive Smart Solutions

Reference number

prj\_220

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 71314000 - Energy and related services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

BEIS is seeking to procure a research, design and development contract to help achieve a step-change in access to, purchase of, and/or use of smart technologies, products and services amongst low income and vulnerable consumers. In the context of this work, 'low income and vulnerable consumers' includes all energy consumers for whom an accessibility, usability or affordability issue may exist or arise in the transition to a smart, flexible energy system, potentially making it disproportionately challenging for them to benefit from new technologies, markets or business models.

This work sits within the BEIS Net Zero Innovation Portfolio's £65m Flexibility Innovation Programme, which enables large-scale widespread electricity system flexibility through smart, flexible, secure, and accessible technologies and markets

Details of how to apply can be found at:

<https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com>

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £2,750,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

BEIS is seeking to procure a contract to help achieve a step-change in access to, purchase of, and/or use of smart technologies, products and services amongst low income and vulnerable consumers. It is anticipated that this work will include approximately 6 months of research and engagement with low income and vulnerable consumers, informing approximately 14 months of design, development and testing of commercially viable innovative solutions to meet these consumers' needs. This innovation project follows a commitment in the Smart Systems and Flexibility Plan,

published jointly by Government and Ofgem in 2021, to remove barriers for consumers who may otherwise struggle to participate in smart energy. This is important to help ensure the benefits of flexibility are accessible to all consumers. This work sits within the BEIS Net Zero Innovation Portfolio's £65m Flexibility Innovation Programme.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £2,750,000

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

20

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

31 March 2023

Local time

12:00am

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Tender must be valid until: 15 August 2023

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

17 April 2023

Local time

2:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

BEIS

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